

**Abstract**

A method and system for aggregating marketplaces  
for the purpose of fulfilling a supply or service need  
is disclosed. The method and system optimizes the  
5 ordering of supplies or services through an analysis  
consistent with predetermined criteria. By exploring  
many possible marketplaces to fulfill a particular  
need, the present invention can determine which method  
of fulfillment most effectively fulfills the particular  
10 need.